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Parking changes set for fall

By Samantha Ernest

Staff Writer

The University is pleased to announce a new student parking program beginning fall 2009. Along with the opening of the new parking garage in the fall, the student parking program will change.

The new parking garage will hold about 800 spaces. The first 400 will be held for visitors while on the top

floors, the last 400 will be reserved for permit holders.

Evening-only permits will be available for commuter students taking evening courses. Evening parking will run from 5:15 p.m. until 7:45 a.m., Monday through Friday. Eligible upper-class students will still have the option to purchase a green permit to park on the main campus based on available space, while freshman students will continue to be

able to purchase a permit for the East Campus. Next year, residents and commuters will be able to purchase a gold permit that includes the Dresser parking lots.

A new permit registration system will be implemented starting in the fall. Similar to course registration, upper class students will have the opportunity to sign up online for a parking permit based on their class standing. A limited number of

spaces will continue to be available on the main campus and in the parking garage. They will be offered to upper-class students on a first-come, first-served basis factoring in class standing and space availability.

Should an upper-class student miss their assigned window, they may still purchase a permit but may find that the allotment of permits has been exhausted for a particular area.

Parking garages can be a danger-

ous place, especially at night, and many students are concerned about their safety in the new parking garage. Junior Riley Turner is concerned about the precautions that are going to be made to keep the garage safe. "I would feel safer knowing that there is a physical presence of security rather than just cameras in the new garage," Turner said.

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Activities Director chosen

By Vanessa Junkin

Staff Writer

Yesterday, the new student activities director began working at SU.

Jennifer Blackwell, who previously worked as the director of student activities at Wesley College in Dover, Del., was chosen from more than 140 applicants to fill the position.

Blackwell said she decided to go into her field because she likes working with students.

"I am most excited about helping students garner the knowledge and tools to make an impact in the world," she said about her new job.

At Salisbury, Blackwell said, she will advise student organizations, create leadership development opportunities, make sure organizations are following University rules, manage the Scarborough Leadership Center, and interact with and provide resources for students.

"We were looking for someone that would be the voice for the students here in the student activities office," said search committee member Ann Obert, also the administrative assistant in the Office of Student Activities, Organizations and Leadership.

Dean of Students Ed Cowell is happy Blackwell will be taking the position and said she has a "professional presence." He also said she would do especially well in building leadership, supporting and overseeing the Greek community and encouraging a variety of opinions.

"I think she'll do an excellent job. I think she brings a nice blend of skills and experiences to the position. We were fortunate to have her in the pool. While the search was a bit prolonged, I strongly feel that

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R.L. Pusey photo

State Radio lead singer Chad Urmston gets the crowd pumped at Sunday's Gull Fest. Rehab, Nature's Child, 3G, Rory Sullivan and Coastal Vibrations also performed on Sunday. Temperatures reached 91 degrees and hundreds of students braved the scorching sun to participate in the event.

State Radio headlines Gull Fest 2009

By Stacie Manger

Staff Writer

Students rocked out to headliners State Radio, Rehab and Nature's Child Sunday afternoon in the sweltering heat. People played on the inflatable games and cooled off either in the mist or via super soakers the staff carried.

"I've heard a little bit of Rehab's songs," said Phi Mu hospitality staff member Addie Kauzlarich. "I think their music is fun and upbeat. I was excited to hear more of it during the concert."

3G, Battle of the Bands winner, opened the festival on the side stage. Nature's Child followed on the main stage. Rory Sullivan, Coastal Vibrations and Rehab performed before

State Radio closed the concert. Chill, acoustic music could be heard during set changes and the atmosphere was completely relaxed.

"I like Nature's Child," said senior Jess Bissinger. "It's different. I listen to Ska and Reggae music, so it was cool to hear a band I've never heard of. I'll probably look them up. I was most excited for State Radio and I was really glad that SU brought them in."

Other students were a bit disgruntled that the Gull Fest bands were not big names or groups many have heard of.

"I'm kind of mad that none of the bands we got to vote for are here," said freshman Matt Custer. "But we should be happy to have any band here for a concert, so it doesn't really

matter."

The headliners, however, are up and coming bands on the pop scene. The lead singer from State Radio, Chad Urmston, was the former lead singer in Dispatch. Rehab's "Bartender Song" is receiving a lot of attention as well.

"We're really happy about it," said Foz, Rehab's guitarist. "The song's 10 years old and we're glad it caught on. It's never really gotten attention until now."

Foz said seven or eight songs from their album "Graffiti the World" have received radio play.

All of the members of Rehab said they enjoyed playing at Salisbury.

State Radio's Urmston agreed. He said it was a nice day for the festival, even with the heat. Urmstrom said

he liked all of the bands that played and he hoped to gain more fans.

"It's always interesting to play in front of people who don't know State Radio's music," he said. "It makes us wonder who had the power to get us down here."

Despite the fact that some had never heard of the groups, all of the music was well-received. Students were laughing, bobbing their heads to the music and enjoying the festival.

There was a mishap with crowd surfing and moshing. Ed Cowell, Dean of Students, told the audience it had to stop or the concert would be over. His statement was met with boos, but the crowd soon returned to first-pumping, cheering and singing along.

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Earth Day turns into stinkfest

By Jonathan Moynihan

Staff Writer

Irony had its way last Wednesday as the very thing being celebrated, the Earth, was what caused SU's celebration of it to be moved from the outdoors of Red Square to the fluorescently-lit Wicomico Room.

Heavy rainfall and thunderstorms forced the environmentalist groups and nature-conscious students alike to gather inside where numerous monuments celebrating the Earth were on display.



R. L. Pusey photo

Graduate Assistant Jill Petrosillo takes a whiff of Keri Bennett's foot during SGA's "dirty feet" contest at Wednesday's Earth Day festivities.

Tables raising awareness on environmental issues or advocating specific causes were set up throughout the room. One of the more captivating tables belonged to the Sustainability Club and their large-print flyers advocating for SU to sever their partnership with Kimberly Clark cleaning supplies. The cleaning supplies used by the University are not environmentally friendly, said Sustainability Club Co-President Adrienne Witkowski. The TETC building uses "green" cleaning supplies, but it's not a campus wide effort, and that's what the club is fighting for, she said.

The festivities climaxed as the contestants of SGA's "dirty foot" contest gathered. The contestants were to be judged on color, smell, "Earthiness" and "natural disgust." SEE Earth Pg. 3

Students raise funds for seventh Relay

By Lauren Sadler

Staff Writer

This year's Relay for Life at Salisbury will begin Friday, May 1, at 6 p.m. with a Luminaria Ceremony of Hope at the Intramural Fields and end the following morning at 6 a.m. The Luminaria ceremony is dedicated to people who have lost their lives to cancer and honors those who have won their battle.

The theme, "Cure-toons," has inspired some teams to make campsites dedicated to the Smurfs, Bobby's World, Pinky and the Brain, Mulan and CUREious George.

"The total goal for this year is 100K, and we are working very

hard to reach it," said Agata Liszkowska, Associate Director of the Center for International Education and a member of Colleges Against Cancer.

Salisbury raised \$95,000 in donations last year, making SU's Relay for Life No. 3 in the nation among institutions its size for per capita fundraising, Liszkowska said. Since 2002, SU has raised more than \$550,000 for the society. All proceeds benefit cancer research, education, patient services and advocacy programs.

"This event has a seven-year tradition at SU, and for the past five years, Salisbury University's Relay for Life has been one of the top

SEE Relay Pg. 3

Alternative energy discussed at forum

By Vanessa Junkin
Staff Writer

SGA, PACE and ShoreEnergy teamed up to sponsor "Alternative Energy: Where are we now? Where are we going?" on Earth Day.

Don Rush, news director for Public Radio Delmarva, moderated two speakers: economics and finance faculty member Dr. Danny Ervin and political science faculty member Dr. Piet DeWitt.

Rush began by noting that people have been interested in nuclear, wind, solar and clean coal energy alternatives to oil for a while. While none of these alternatives have been able to replace oil yet, he said, people are looking into these options because oil will eventually run out and also because global warming is becoming more of a problem.

DeWitt talked about how the U.S. currently uses large amounts of fossil fuels to keep the country running. "Today, we live in a fossil fuel world. 85 percent of our energy use in the United States is from fossil

fuels — oil, coal and natural gas," DeWitt said.

While DeWitt said that currently, renewable energy sources make up almost seven percent of total energy sources in the U.S., 13 percent of energy may be coming from these types of sources in 2030.

"If we are to make an advance in energy, if we are to produce enough energy for this country to continue its growth and also attack the problem of carbon dioxide emissions and global climate change, we must turn to the renewables," DeWitt said.

Ervin said that crude oil is important for transportation fuels, but the mixing of ethanol and gasoline helps to keep costs lower. He sees a future for using hydrogen in fuel and also for additional hybrid and electric cars.

"We're looking at these alternatives and hopefully that will start to make a difference on the economic side," Ervin said.

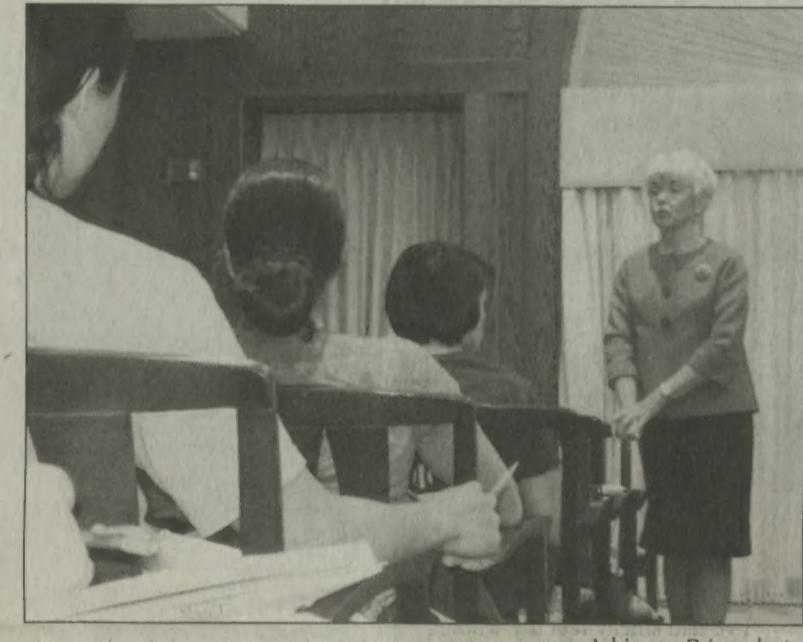
Ervin also talked about possibly increasing the amount of nuclear energy used, although there is a high



Dr. Danny Ervin, Dr. Piet DeWitt and Public Radio Delmarva news director Don Rush discuss alternative energy options on Earth Day last Wednesday evening in the Worcester Room.

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Delegate Eckardt receives SU award, speaks on public service



Maryland Delegate and Hargreaves Fellowship recipient Adelaide "Addie" C. Eckardt talked about medical issues and public service.

By Laura Dignan
Staff Writer

Maryland Delegate Adelaide "Addie" C. Eckardt, the 2009 recipient of the John R. Hargreaves Distinguished Legislative Fellow Award,

spoke to a group of Salisbury University students last Tuesday about mental health issues, medical ethics and the importance of public service.

Eckardt is the eighth recipient of the Hargreaves Fellowship, which is

sponsored by SU's Institute of Public Affairs and Civic Engagement (PACE). The award is designed to recognize outstanding legislators for effective and honorable public service. During a ceremony at the Lowe House Office Building in Annapolis, SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach presented the award to Eckardt.

As a former full-time psychiatric mental health clinical nurse specialist, Eckardt has taught many nursing courses at SU and maintains certification as a psychiatric nurse by the American Nurses Association.

"Of particular interest to our students, especially those seeking careers in health care, is that Delegate Eckardt has been at the forefront of combating the nursing shortage in the state of Maryland," said Dr. Francis Kane, co-director of SU's PACE. "Her nursing expertise brings a wealth of knowledge to important health care issues facing our state."

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islative role than as a practicing nurse in Maryland.

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Eckardt spoke with students about her personal endeavors working in the public sector and her experience as a psychiatric nurse. Her main concern was to inform students of the many ethical dilemmas they may face upon entering the field.

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EDITORIAL

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Overheard: How do you feel about Miss California's response?

Photos and article by: Telesia Taylor



"She answered the question truthfully and honestly like they would expect her to. She is entitled to her own opinion."

Aisha Bryant - junior



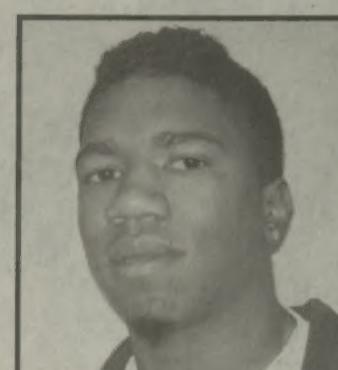
"I feel as though her answer was sincere. She did not mean to offend anyone. I believe that her opinion should not have cost her the crown."

Antione Cuff - junior



"She should be entitled to her own opinion on gay marriage. Everyone is brought up differently to believe different things."

Alexa Uherok - sophomore



"I felt that her answer was honest; there are not right or wrong answers when it comes to opinion."

Jordan Hancock - junior



"I disagree with her answer because everyone is different and even though some people disagree, everyone deserves the right to be happy."

Tyler Wilkinson - freshman

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Miss California's answer should not cost her the crown

By Morgan Majchrzak
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When asked by Miss USA pageant judge Perez Hilton if she believed that every state should follow Vermont and legalize gay marriage, Miss California Carrie Prejean said that she feels marriage should be between a man and a woman. Some are saying that answer cost her the crown; some are even outraged she placed first runner up.

First of all, why was this even a question? This is highly controversial, and there is always going to be one person that does not agree with the answer given. The judges should have focused on other issues such as the economy and the environment and not asked a question they assumed



Carrie Prejean lost the crown after voicing her opinion.

she would say yes to because she is from California. I also think the pageant judge who asked the question was biased. He is a gossip blogger who is also openly gay. Once again, did he just assume that she would say yes because she is from California, which is a pretty liberal state? How can he get angry at a honest answer of her own personal beliefs and feelings?

Second of all, why wasn't he reprimanded for being offended, being biased, and not voting for her to win because she offended him? He said on his Web site that she lost because it was the worst answer in pageant history. I do not think it was right that her answer cost her the crown.

The Miss America Pageant should either look into this matter further or in the future do not allow such questions to be asked. Better yet, do not have an openly gay judge ask a question about legalizing gay marriage.

Rookie salaries unfair to veterans

By Tripp Colonell
Staff Writer

Imagine an intern at a hospital being offered a larger salary than that of The Chief of Medicine before ever stepping foot in the hospital. It seems ridiculous, even for a student finishing top of their class from Harvard Med School. In the NFL, however, this has become all too common, and it's starting to sacrifice the integrity of the game.

In fact, for the past few years, the number one overall pick in the NFL draft has become the highest

paid player at their respective positions. Last year's number one overall, offensive tackle Jake Long, earned a higher salary in guaranteed money than multi-year bowlers such as Walter Jones, Orlando Pace and Jason Peters. And who was the highest-paid tackle before Long? Joe Thomas of the Cleveland Browns, who was drafted third overall in 2007. While those guys have seemed to pan out for their respective teams so far, that isn't always the case.

As you can imagine, this is changing the way some teams attack the draft. For one, the first

few picks are virtually untradeable. There is so much money involved in a top five pick that no one even wants it. So for a struggling team like the Detroit Lions, this means not being able to trade back to acquire more picks. It also means that picking the wrong player could set an already poor franchise back even further.

As if monetary issues didn't already affect the pick enough, it also can force a team to draft a certain position. Since you have to pay the number one pick top dollar anyway, it makes sense to take a position that typically warrants that pay

scale. This means offensive tackle and quarterback is the only way to go. It doesn't make any sense to pay a linebacker or a safety \$40 million in guaranteed money, as those positions tend to make far less of an impact in the game itself.

As long as the NFL continues to ignore the need for a rookie salary cap, snake agents will continue to push the limit for their client's worth. Ultimately, the average salary for the number one overall pick will continue to skyrocket, and general managers and head coaches won't be able to do anything about it.

Americans spend millions of dollars a year consuming these energy drinks. The drinks contain vitamins, amino acids, sugar and caffeine. They do, however, increase heart rate and blood pressure which can lead to dehydration and, in some cases, death.

While these drinks contain vitamins and amino acids, much of the effect is purely sugar and caffeine.

Energy drinks do prevent people from sleeping and allows them to finish writing a paper or studying for a test, but that means people crash and fall asleep for long amounts of time after consuming the drink. Energy drinks do enhance the performance of an athlete but only for a short amount of time and causes dehydration. Energy drinks also allow people to consume larger quantities of alcohol but results in dangerously high blood alcohol counts.

So, with all the adverse effects what is so great about drinking to gain energy? Health officials are seriously considering banning these drinks. Not only are they extremely poor for your health, but children are able to buy them and start drinking them at younger ages.

People do not realize how dangerous these energy drinks are. Even though they may "help" in the short-term the effect is far worse than what we expect. Our culture is slowly moving towards finding ways to feed our bodies with substances in order to finish something or be better—what happened to hard work, determination and perseverance to reach a goal?

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Governor shows commitment to college affordability by pushing tuition freeze

It takes a bold leader to move forward even in difficult times. That's what Governor O'Malley has accomplished by committing to freezing undergraduate tuition at the University System of Maryland's (USM) institutions and Morgan State University for the fourth consecutive year.

The O'Malley-Brown Administration has kept college affordable for students thanks to this commitment to our students and working families. This means students who entered any of USM's institutions or Morgan four years ago will not see a penny's increase in their tuition from their first day on campus until they receive their degree. No other state in the nation has succeeded in doing this, particularly during these tough times, when it may have been easy to balance a budget on the backs of college students and their families.

Governor O'Malley has put families first by fighting for affordable college, protecting the safety net for working families, protecting our environment, maintaining fiscal responsibility in tough times and investing in education. His brave commitment to the tuition freeze for the fourth consecutive year has been noted by his colleagues in State Houses across the country.

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Proof: Iraqis don't hate us!

By Chad Grills
Staff Writer

Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) began in March 2003. Whether you classify it as war, occupation, a peacekeeping mission, or a malady, chances are you had limited information to make your decision.

Whether you believe this or not, the testimony most often ignored is directly from the Iraqi people. I don't recall many Iraqi people being interviewed by mainstream media sources in the past. In fact, nothing resembling a story has emerged from Iraq unless it was saturated with carnage. While the news media is first-rate at running American troop death tickers, they often disregard substantial news. So while Iraqis make strides to rebuild their country, it hasn't counted as news,

unless blood is spilled. Mainstream news has been passionately advertising Islamofascists' suicide bombings, public service announcements, and IED attacks until now!

The New York Times recently decided to shift their OIF news lens from Pro-choice American, to Pro-New Administration. After all, mid-term elections at home and the 2011 combat troop withdrawal dates abroad are approaching. God forbid *The Times* jeopardize the lives of American troops in the era of hope.

Ali al-Hilli from Baghdad was interviewed by *The Times* on his new startup car business of selling Hummers. Ali sells the trucks for \$50,000 to \$60,000 a piece, cash, and Iraqis love them. Ali says fire engine red and canary yellow are the flashy customer favorites. As Ali is photo-



At the April 17 Summit of the Americas, President Barack Obama warmly embraced Venezuelan president Hugo Chavez, a gesture that has outraged conservative Americans.

The handshake that shook the world

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

about the handshake that trans- scends strategic calculations.

The world is changing. This change is not because of Obama's election, but instead is part of a global rebalancing of power. While the United States remains the world's sole superpower and will be so for the foreseeable future, the rest of the world is coming into its own.

The time for the United States to ignore countries that disagree with us is over. The United States cannot dictate to the rest of the world how to behave. Ignoring countries because they dislike us or espouse different views than we do is hardly a sound foreign policy.

Again, the United States is still the world's sole superpower and will continue to wield the corresponding power and influence of such a position for many decades into the future. But it is necessary for the United States to carry that mantle responsibly and maturely. The U.S. must lead by example and must discuss and debate with the rest of the world how to solve the problems that face all of us.

In this case, President Obama is correct. Ignoring the fact that Venezuela's military budget is less than a hundredth of that of the U.S., there is an importance

Energy drinks damage long-term health

By Tara Underwood
Staff Writer

Red Bull, Amp, 180, Adrenaline Rush, Monster and Sobe—what do they all have in common? They are the newest thing among today's high school and college generation. These energy drinks are known for keeping college students up to study, are taken before games to enhance athletes for better performance and mixed with vodka to stay up and party longer. So what is so bad about drinking them? The answer: your health.

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Salisbury student's novel published



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pens, editing begins. This is the longest process because you have to send it to the editor several times, who sends it back until you get it right. Then you go to layout where you work with an artist to create a cover, and then you go to marketing," Bogle said.

After this novel, Bogle said there are three sequels and a spin-off she is currently working on.

"Rolling the Die" is her next book, and it will continue the story of Jason and Robyn in Atlantic City.

"I've also got notes for a fantasy novel and three memoirs, and I write short stories constantly. I'm literally obsessed with writing," Bogle said.

Writing a novel and getting it published is an immense accomplishment for a college student.

"It's really wild. Getting a novel published has been a goal of mine since I was just a kid and now that it's happened, and people are asking me to sign their books, I feel like I'm in a dream! I still blush! I think that college is a wonderful place to start out as an author because so many people support you," Bogle said.

"The book is about a vengeful serial killer who leaves enigmatic notes at every crime scene. Two homicide detectives (Jason and Robyn) are left to decipher these notes and solve the murders. There are several other connected story lines in the novel, and yes, there's a little romance too," Bogle said.

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the goal of Quest is to promote understanding and help people reach their full potential," said Tim McCarthy, founder and president of Quest. "It is about finding a com-



To kick off Multicultural Festival Week, participants act out a spontaneous skit during Monday's workshop hosted by The Quest: Arts for Everyone Deaf Acting Troupe. Over 40 students, staff, faculty and community members attended and participated in the event.

R.L. Pusey photo

By Casey Wachter
Staff Writer

"The Unforgiven," a novel written by an SU student, was published and released in stores this week. Holly Bogle, a sophomore English major with a creative writing concentration and Spanish minor, spent six years creating this novel.

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Visual theatre workshop promotes Deaf culture

By Amanda Durski
Staff Writer

The imaginative workshop of Quest, a diverse artistic group, has been experienced around the world by countries such as Japan, India, Romania and South America. On Monday, April 27, Salisbury University had the pleasure of hosting the troupe and its expressive performers as a part of Multicultural Festival Week.

Quest is a program which establishes a prominent relationship between the disabled and art communities. Through their programs and plans, they strive to overcome the various obstacles that the disabled come across in trying to key to all in attendance.

The workshop was completely hands-on. Participants were encouraged to use their entire body as a tool for communication. Speech through gestures and signals was how thoughts and ideas were exchanged. Various exercises promoted the use of one's imagination and creativity.

The importance of visual arts in today's society became apparent throughout the workshop.

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guage and cultural barriers. We have been to twenty-two different countries, and our form of communication did not change," McCarthy said.

As well as cutting across barriers, the Quest workshop introduced the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing culture to students and faculty.

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From the Photo Bank: What's Happening On Campus



Ballet performers dance to "Stars and Stripes Forever" downtown at Salisbury Festival last Saturday.



Freshman Samantha Livingston drops her "green" wish in the anti-Kimberly Clark toilet at Wednesday's Earth Day festivities.

Sarah Wright photo



SGA executive staff members Pat Gotham, Bobby Audley, Julia Glanz and Hayley Eiland planted a tree at the Scarborough Leadership Center Thursday, bringing an end to Wednesday's Earth Day festivities.



Artist Casey Foltz poses with his work at the opening reception of his display last Friday in the Atrium Gallery of the GUC.

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SU Dance Company dazzles in annual spring dance concert

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Last week the SU Dance Company hosted their annual Spring Concert from April 22 to 25 in Holloway Hall.

Students, faculty, staff and members of the community took their seats in the auditorium patiently anticipating the performance.

The show began with a dance titled "Carmen Variations," choreographed by Mary Norton, SU's artistic director.

The black and red skirts flattened members of the company as the team danced in front of a festive red background and dazzled the audience with flowers in their hair and exquisite ballet steps.

The most energetic piece was titled "Mercy," by pop artist Duffy. Performers in the company split up into two groups, one of which portrayed a group of guys who wore suspenders, tube socks and glasses, labeled the "nerds" who tried so desperately to win over the group of girls.

"I especially enjoyed the dance to the song "Mercy," said Jordan Blades, a junior at SU. "As a commuter student, I am not on campus much to partake in the fun activities. I hope to again next semester."

Another highlight of the performance was the dance put on by the adjudicated 2008 showcase winners, which was choreographed by Katie Erdman.

A solo act was put on by Dylan Pierce, who danced to a song titled "What Becomes of the Broke-Hearted," by Jimmy Ruffin.

Pierce, a freelance teacher, is a choreographer and performer. He has been featured in off-Broadway performances, commercials and television as well as the Walt Disney World Christmas Show and cruise line performances.

"Time of My Life" is a very special dance for the graduating seniors. I think it reminds us of our time on the team and even though we are moving on in life, we will always remember our memorable times we shared together," she said.

The company began in 1960 as the Modern Dance Club and is recognized as an Outstanding Student Organization for its community service.

"I have been fortunate enough



Kelly Robinson photo

The SU Dance Company's annual Spring Concert was held April 22 to 25. In the piece "Mercy," some performers portrayed a group of "nerds." Other pieces, such as "Carmen Variations," were also performed.

to have choreographed two dances for the Dance Company," Makris said.

Try thinking of the situation as a positive thing that he respects the women in his family. This is a good thing. Besides, he might like his sister being involved. If you aren't OK with that, maybe you and I should find someone else.

Instead of telling him what to do, ask him why she's so involved. Ask him if he likes it. Ask him if he's ever had problems with other relationships because of his sister. Clearly, he doesn't see the problem.

By asking him, he can understand what you see. And then, if it's something that he thinks he needs to change, he can change it.

Otherwise, I'd plan on not dating him. Blood is thicker than water; she will win.

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Blackwell Library celebrates poetry

By Ashlee' Laughlin
Staff Writer

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Car Wash for Kids of Honor



On April 19 students from Paula Morris' advertising and promotions marketing 331 class hosted a car wash at Thirsty's Exxon Gas Station. The project's purpose was to have the students plan an event and promote it in various ways. One of the group members Zach Evans said the group had been working on promotions for over a month. During the event WMDT Channel 47 interviewed Ava Lawson, another member of the group. The students teamed up with the Men's Club Lacrosse team and washed over 35 vehicles. The proceeds, totalling above \$300, were split in half and donated to Student Activities Relay for Life Team and Men's Club Lacrosse Team. Students want to thank every who participated.

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Sarah Wright photo

Local children enjoy a ride at the Salisbury Festival last weekend. Held in downtown Salisbury, this year's 27th annual festival had a large turnout. Salisbury University RAs worked at the three-day event.

Salisbury Festival offers family fun for Delmarva residents

By Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writer

From April 24 through 26, eager Delmarva locals turned out for one of the most well-known and popular annual attractions in Salisbury, the Salisbury Festival. This is the 27th year the Salisbury Festival has run, serving the local community by providing entertainment the whole family can enjoy.

Weather was of large concern as the past week Salisbury experienced dramatic shifts in temperature, but the festival was set to occur rain or shine. Despite the almost 90 degree weather during Saturday's festival hours, there was quite a large turnout.

Naturally, when trying to accommodate the enormous influx of locals and a crowd well over 1,000 people on Saturday, parking was no easy feat.

"I really hope the Salisbury police don't ticket the Ramada Inn parking lot," said Bo Abbott, an attendee.

fundraise, promote and spread awareness." Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the City of Salisbury, Comcast and other vendors, the Salisbury festival caters to everyone, yet there is still one vast population that seemed absent: Salisbury University students.

Directing the flow of traffic was a detail that needed to be well thought out and planned. Having worked together with Housing and Residence Life Director Dave Gutosky in the past, it was agreed Salisbury resident assistants would volunteer to work as "traffic controllers, security, and helping out with the overall flow of the festival," said Shannon Mitchell, Director of Events for the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce.

"I felt like I was able to connect with the community," said Nanticoke RA Allison Tollett.

In 1982, the first Salisbury Festival was held and to date has showcased hundreds of local organizations and businesses, including Habitat for Humanity and the NAACP.

"It has become a common tradition," Mitchell said, "in which local nonprofit organizations are able to grow

Weekly Greek News

Viva las greek week champs, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Sigma Tau



R. L. Pusey photo

ZTA sister Hannah Wood pushes Natalie Amorati in a race against time to beat out other participants in Greek Week.

By Cara Barrett
Staff Writer

This year's Las Vegas-themed Greek Week, "Welcome to Fabulous SU Greek Week," came to a conclusion this past Friday. Greek Week kicked off with revealing each fraternity and sorority's Las Vegas-themed banner along with karaoke and other musical performances.

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SU wins at WAC, earns sixth straight Clark Cup

By Tom Watson
Staff Writer

It was a hot spring day in Chestertown, Md., and fans packed into Roy Kirby, Jr. Stadium — setting a new attendance record of 2,511 — while hundreds more crowded around the fences. The smell of smoked meat and barbecue filled the air as students from both Salisbury University and Washington College watched the War on the Shore.

The No. 5 SU men's lacrosse team edged out rival Washington College 12-11 on a game-winning goal by senior All-American Kylor Berkman. This was Salisbury's ninth straight victory over the Shoremen, and in an all-time series they lead 23-19. SU has won every Charles B. Clark Cup, better known as the student population as the War on the Shore, since its inception in 2004.

Charles Clark, a National Lacrosse Hall of Famer, coached at

both Salisbury and Washington during his career.

Washington College (9-6) scored just two minutes into the game, but

Salisbury (15-3) answered back with three quick goals to take the lead. Nearing the end of the first quarter, Washington scored to close the gap to 3-2. Salisbury answered back on an extra-man opportunity with 28 seconds left in the third. Washington was not finished however, scoring to end the quarter as the teams headed into the fourth period tied 10-10.

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WAC made a charge in the third quarter to fight back into the game as the Shoremen scored four goals in the first four minutes of the

quarter to tie the game 8-8. Berkman (four goals, one assist) ended that run with a goal at the 9:20 mark, making it 9-8.

WAC tied the game again with 2:33 left in the quarter, but Berkman was there to answer, scoring his third goal of the period on an extra-man opportunity with 28 seconds left in the third. Washington was not finished however, scoring to end the quarter as the teams headed into the fourth period tied 10-10.

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Tom Watson photo

SU went up the road to defeat rival WAC in War on the Shore on Saturday. Kylor Berkman scored the game-winning goal.

Clock Cup.

Salisbury split the face-off margin with Washington, each winning 13. WAC out-shot and picked up more ground balls than SU. Salis-

bury also had 25 turnovers, but sophomore goalie Johnny Rodriguez had 12 saves on the day, with four coming in the fourth quarter.

Fleetwood wins 300, chases national championship

By Jonathan Murga
Staff Writer

Salisbury baseball coach Doug Fleetwood has reached levels never attained at SU, but he is still not satisfied after winning his 300th game on April 16.

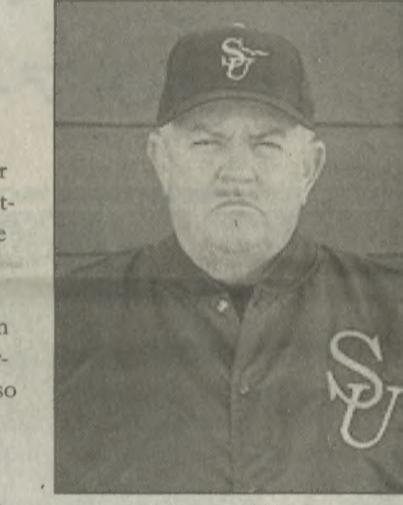
In his nine years at Salisbury, Fleetwood has brought the team their only two World Series appearances in 2001 and 2004. He has also won 77 percent of the games he has coached.

"I just told people before, you certainly want to be successful and you want to win games," Fleetwood said. "Obviously winning 300 games in nine years then you've averaged 30 something games a year and 30 a year is kind of the key in college baseball. It means we've had a lot of good players and a lot of good coaches here, we've been fortunate to have those people."

The coach enjoyed 12 years of success at Cambridge-South Dorchester High School, where he won a state title and had a winning percentage of 73. Prior to his time at Cambridge, Fleetwood was a player and student at Salisbury University, class of 1972.

"I went to school here, I played here, and you certainly have a strong feeling for your school so it was nice," Fleetwood said. "I had a good career before I got here, obviously, at [Cambridge-South Dorchester]. I came here, it was to come back to where you went to school — it was a positive situation no doubt."

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Athletics photo

Doug Fleetwood

his players more than anything else.

"Talent. Talent. You don't win at this level without good baseball players or coaching," Fleetwood said. "We've been very fortunate the nine years that I've been here to have outstanding talent and outstanding assistant coaches. Because of that, you win; if you don't have the talent then you don't win. It's just that simple it's not a fancy formula — believe me."

The Sea Gulls recently won the Capital Athletic Conference championship and are now driving towards the NCAA South Region. Their last regular season home game before the regionals will take place on May 6 at 3:30 p.m. against Montclair State.

"We want to go to the regionals, that's an expectation. What we'd like to do is put ourselves in position to win that regional and get back to the World Series," Fleetwood said. "Being in position to win a national title — that's what it's about. We really have no other goals; it's really what we want to do."

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Dan Anderson photo

Anna Marie Kable and Jackie Burr beat York in doubles 8-2, but went on to lose against Mary Washington 8-2.

Women's tennis falls to Mary Washington after defeating York

By Kaitlyn Sullivan
Staff Writer

The Salisbury women's tennis team was defeated 9-0 last Friday by University of Mary Washington in the Capital Athletic Conference championship game.

The second-seed Gulls beat the third-seed York College 8-1 in the semifinals last Tuesday.

"The team felt great after our victory over York. This was the semifinals of the CACs and it helped set the tone for the finals against Mary Washington," said junior Rachel Iosue.

Salisbury took the Spartans 3-0

in doubles matches. Iosue and fellow junior Kelly Fahrner set the tone for the day after shutting out their opponents with a final score of 8-0 in the first doubles match. Junior Jackie Burr and senior Anna Marie Kable followed up by winning 8-2. Sophomore Angela Tenaglia and senior Robyn Wendell stayed

strong and took the third victory in the doubles competition 8-4.

Burr was named the CAC's women's tennis player of the week.

The Gulls almost swept the singles competition against the Spartans, with five wins and only one loss. Kable led the team in third singles, winning 6-2, 6-1.

Fahrner was right behind her, defeating her opponent 6-1, 6-1.

"Our team dynamic during doubles has improved so much over the season. Every time we step onto the court we know we have what it takes to win," Iosue said.

Kable and Burr lost 8-2 in first doubles. Fahrner and Iosue recorded another loss for the Gulls in second doubles with a score of 8-3. After Kable and Fahrner were both defeated in the singles competition, the Gulls lost their chance at the title.

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team. We played as hard as we could, and we left our hearts and souls on the court. We wanted to walk away knowing we tried our best, and I think we all did. We just lost to a better opponent," Kable said.

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2009 NFL draft bodes well for the Redskins

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

With the first pick in the 2009 NFL Draft, the Detroit Lions selected quarterback Matthew Stafford from the University of Georgia. Stafford was projected to be the best overall player in this year's draft and agreed to terms on a contract last Friday night before the draft. The Lions signed

Stafford to a six year, \$78 million dollar contract with \$41.7 million in guaranteed money. Stafford was projected to be the best player in the draft based off a very solid

junior season after throwing for 3,459 passing yards and 25 touchdowns in the tough SEC. Also, strong performances at the NFL Combine and his pro day workouts solidified Stafford as the best quarterback in the draft.

The Lions are trying to rebuild their franchise in every aspect after going an NFL record low 0-16 during the regular season. The Lions are expecting a lot from Stafford because of the "state of emergency" the Lions are in. Before the draft, Stafford addressed the pressure of possibly being the No. 1 pick. "Coming in as a No. 1

pick would be pressure on any rookie, but especially for a quarterback," he said. "The Lions asked me questions like, 'What will you say to the media if you go 0-4 and throw four picks?' I think you've got to take the blame. Put it on me. I've been playing with that kind of attitude for a long time."

With the addition of quarterback Matthew Stafford, the Detroit Lions are on the right track in rebuilding their franchise.

Other notable big name players in the first round selection included linebacker Aaron Curry, who was picked by the Seattle Sea-

hawks; wide receiver Michael Crabtree who went to the San Francisco 49ers; and quarterback Mark Sanchez who was selected by the New York Jets.

The Ravens took their No. 23 pick and used it on offensive tackle Michael Oher from the University of Mississippi. Oher was a steal for the Ravens, as he was projected to go in the top 10 of the draft. Oher will be protecting quarterback Joe Flacco, the former first rounder, providing more protection for the franchise player.

Both the Redskins and Ravens were able to get players who have the potential to impact their teams in a big way.

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Kobe and Lebron and Wade, oh my!

By Jeffrey Southworth
Sports Editor

As soon as the NBA playoffs start, things get a little bit more personal, players pick it up on defense and the great players in the league separate themselves from the good. The MVP buzz the entire season has circulated around three players — Kobe, Lebron and Wade — and over a week into the playoffs, these three players have set themselves even further apart from everybody else.

Not to say the playoffs aren't full of really good players turning in really good performances: Brandon Roy's 42 points in game two or Tony Parker going for 38 and 43. These performances don't go unnoticed, but the level of play that we've been witnessing from Kobe, Lebron and Wade is a blessing.

If it wasn't already big enough, these three have widened the gap between them selves and the other two players that belong in the NBA's top five list of true superstars. Chris Paul and Dwight Howard are attempting to carry their teams into the second round and are continuing to play as the fourth and fifth best player in the league, but they lack that extra gear only Kobe, Lebron and Wade have.

Kobe Bryant is still the most skilled player in the league and Lebron James is the most talented, but Dwyane Wade means more to the Miami Heat than maybe any other athlete in any sport.

Kobe's performance in game four showed that, although the Lakers may still be a little soft, he is on a mission. He started the game by scoring the Lakers' first 13 points and we could tell right from tip-off that Bryant wouldn't allow Los Angeles to lose. If anything, it showed that he is still the most skilled player in the world.

Lebron's torturing of the Pistons is almost unfair. I feel ashamed of myself for even thinking that just maybe the Pistons would at the very least challenge Cleveland in game three. If Kobe is the best, Lebron is the most unstoppable. He is also the most valuable player to the league because of his celebrity status and remarkable ability to market.

Kobe is the skilled, Lebron is the talented and I can't think of an adjective that would do Wade justice. Never have I seen one player carry a team like Wade is carrying the Heat in this first round. The fact that Wade is doing all against the most athletic team in the league stands to show how truly talented he really is. After a shaky game one, Wade has led the Heat to back to back blowouts in games three and four.

Kobe and Lebron are on an inevitable collision course. While there is no one in the west that can defeat the Lakers in a seven game series, there is one player that I would be worried about in the east and he goes by the name of Flash.

The boys of summer turned

SU softball headed to the playoffs

By Jeremy Kummer
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, the Salisbury softball team was supposed to host Gettysburg, but Mother Nature had different plans. Due to torrential downpours, the game was cancelled and Salisbury's 28-game winning streak was put on hold. However, the team would soon be challenged, as Salisbury hosted Washington College on Saturday.

Entering into the game, Salisbury had already clinched the number one seed in the Capital Athletic Conference tournament. However, they were looking to end the season with a bang, and they did just that. Salisbury opened up the double-header with a 14-0 walloping of WAC.

Senior Stacey Malarkey started the game off with her team-leading 11th homerun of the season. The Sea Gulls' starting pitcher senior Stacey Davis did not allow WAC to even make the game interesting as she recorded a shut out on the way to her 20th win of the season. Salisbury's third and final senior Meagan O'Gara, who was named

freshman Paul Moore and juniors Mike Marfut and Quentin Brisces, placed 28th overall in the javelin throw with his 51.51 meters. Junior All-American Cory Beebe, Beebe placed 13th overall out of 48 runners in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 52.60 seconds, the fastest time in Division III this season. The time qualifies him for the 2009 National Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships and shatters his personal best of 53.20 seconds set at the Sea Gull Opener on March 7.

Beebe was also a member of the 4x400 meter relay team that won its heat with a time of 3:20.30 minutes. The team, which included

freshman Paul Moore and juniors Mike Marfut and Quentin Brisces, placed 55th out of 80 teams.

Junior All-American Delanie Springs ran against tough competition from Division I schools in the 100-meter dash. Springs placed 12th out of 24 runners with a time of 10.70 seconds.

Junior All-American Brandon Fuggett competed in two events. Fuggett finished 11th out of 25 throwers in the shot put with a distance of 15.68 meters and was the only Division III discus throw participant, placing 29th overall in the event with a throw of 43.69

Baseball splits with CNU

Drops on the road, wins at home

By Ben Muell
Staff Writer

Last week, Salisbury's fourth ranked baseball team split a two game non-conference series with Christopher Newport University. The Gulls were defeated in the first game last Friday 7-4 but quickly sank the Captains on Saturday 10-3.

Down in Newport News, Va. on Friday, the Maroon and Gold suffered their first road loss in a month. They held a tight lead over the early portion of the game but Senior Eric Wiley was unable to hold down the lead in part due to a couple of defensive miscues in the field. Wiley, now 8-3 on the season, allowed six hits and six runs, three of which were earned over six and a third inning. Salisbury's bats were also stagnant for much of the game only gathering six hits and only one over the last three innings.

The boys of summer turned things around with a victory on Saturday that saw temperatures reach 90 degrees for the first time this year. Kyle Judson continued to pitch brilliantly as he got his ninth win to remain undefeated on the season. The sophomore kept the Captains down over his seven innings of work, allowing only three runs. He surrendered seven hits while striking out seven and walking only one.

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Welcomed home



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Stacey Malarkey is greeted at home plate by her team after hitting her team-leading 11th homerun against Washington College. She went 3-for-5 on the day with four runs scored and 3 RBIs.

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Logan Bilderback shoots against Stevenson University in the CAC semi-finals. The Gulls went on to defeat the Mustangs 19 - 8.

Women's lax wins the CACs

By Edward Baidoo
Staff Writer

The SU women's lacrosse team played great this past week, defeating Stevenson University last Tuesday 19-8 and Mary Washington University 16-8 last Friday to earn their seventh consecutive CAC title.

In the semifinal match on Tuesday, SU got off to a very quick start as they started the scoring with a goal in the first minute of action by Robyn Bishop. The Sea Gulls then went on to score three more goals in the beginning of the game and went on to a 4-0 lead before Stevenson's Megan Weiss scored the Mustangs' first goal. SU head coach Jim Nestor was happy with the team's effort.

"We played well offensively and got good looks. We also caused a lot of turnovers today as well," Nestor said.

Midfielder Robyn Bishop, who had six goals and one assist in the match, led the Gulls. Goalie Sonja Stuart had eight saves in the victory. The fast start for the Gulls

was important in getting the victory.

"Stevenson is a good team. It was important to get off to a good start so that our opponents don't go into halftime thinking they can beat us," Bishop said.

Spencer Kraus led Stevenson in defeat with three goals. Lisa Baker added two goals. The goalie tandem of Jenny Schroeder and Devan Malone registered three saves in the game.

The Gulls then moved on to the championship game versus Mary Washington. They defeated the Eagles 16-8. After getting off to another quick 4-0 start, beginning with a goal at the 28:44 mark of the first half by Meagan Osipowich, SU and Mary Washington went back and forth scoring goals, which resulted in a 7-4 halftime score. The Gulls eventually pulled away enough to secure their seventh straight Capital Athletic Conference championship, outscoring the Eagles 9-4 in the second half.

Osipowich, who scored six goals and had an assist, led the Gulls in the match. The team is excited to

win the championship and head back to the NCAA Tournament.

"It feels great. We had a lot of obstacles, injuries and setbacks this season, but to overcome all that and win says a lot about the team," Osipowich said.

Ellen Bikowski, who scored three goals in the match, led the Eagles. Goalie Dannie Guigli made twelve saves in the loss as well.

The Gulls now head back to the NCAA Tournament. Nestor has been to these tournaments before and knows how to approach the upcoming tournament.

"We will not be changing our team's approach as much. We will just focus on the things we are strong at and a little bit on defense. Getting players back will help us as well," Nestor said.

"We can't be successful unless we keep improving in practice everyday. If we keep improving everyday and keep our momentum up, we should be pretty successful because we need to in order to play against our competition," Osipowich said.



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